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Application No. 10/516,809
Amendment dated April 4, 2007
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REMARKS

Claims 1-36 were pending in this application. Claims 3, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 17, 20, 24, 27, 29, and 31 have been amended. Accordingly, once the amendments presented herein have been entered, claims 1-36 will remain pending.

Objection to the Claims

The Examiner has objected to claims 5-19 and 27-36 as being in improper format because a multiple dependant claim can not depend from any other multiple dependent claim. Applicants have amended these claims thereby rendering this objection moot.

The Examiner has also objected to claims 20-29 over a typographical error in claim 20. Applicants have amended claim 20, thereby rendering this objection moot.

Rejection of Claims 1-4 and 20-26 Under 35 USC 102(e)

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-4 and 20-26 under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Richardson. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

For a reference to anticipate the pending claims, the reference must teach each and every element that is set forth in the claims, either expressly or inherently (see, *Verdegaal Bros. V. Union Oil Co. of California*, 814 F.2d 628, 631, 2 USPQ2d 1051, 1053 (Fed Cir. 1987) and MPEP 2131).

Applicants assert that the pending claims are not anticipated by Richardson. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this objection.

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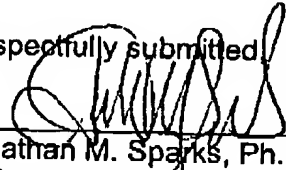
CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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